

CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

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ACTION: OSA (1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10)

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TOR: 0140Z 15 FEB 63

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NO NIGHT ACTION

ACFT NUMBER 124 MADE FLT NUMBER 21 TODAY 14 FEB 63 FOR FIFTY-FOUR MINUTES. FLT CUT SHORT DUE WEATHER. MORNING FLT CANCELLED DUE WEATHER. PILOTS WALTERS AND SKLIAR. SKLIAR IN REAR SEAT IN SUIT. PURPOSE PILOT TRAINING. FLT ROUTINE. CHUTE VERY LATE IN DEPLOYING WITH SWITCH ACTUATED AT TOUCHDOWN AND BLOSSOMING OCCURING AFTER APPROXIMATELY 6,000 FEET LANDING ROLE. DOORS OPENED IMMEDIATELY UPON ACTUATION. VIEWFINDER AND FILM PROJECTOR INSTALLED THIS FLT. PRISM BEING TESTED IN 123 SHOULD CORRECT THIS. OTHER THAN POSITION PILOT'S HEAD MUST ASSUME TO VIEW, COMMENTS GENERALLY FAVORABLE. SUIT COMMENTS GENERALLY FAVORABLE EXCEPT FOR SEVERE REFLECTION PROBLEMS IN FACEPLATE WHEN SUN SHINING IN TOWARD FACE. OTHER PILOT COMMENTS ON SUIT BEING FORWARDED SEPARATELY.

END OF MESSAGE

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ACFT 123 MADE FLT 42 FOR 1 HOUR 39 MINUTES. PILOT GILLILAND FIRST SOLO. MAX ALTITUDE 30,000 FEET. TYPE 2 PACKAGE. TARGET RUNS AT .85 MACH NUMBER OVER ON NORTH-SOUTH AXIS. RESULTS NOT YET KNOWN, BUT OPERATION APPEARED NORMAL. ACCELERATED TO 1.1 MACH NUMBER ENROUTE BACK TO BASE. ADF WORK ACCOMPLISHED UTILIZING 51 INCH ANTENNA PATCHED ON TRIP OF Q BAY HATCH. RECEPTION AND SENSITIVITY GOOD. DIRECTION INDICATIONS 180 DEGREES OUT OF PHASE, NO STATION PASSAGE. ROUTING LANDING. CHUTE NORMAL.

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